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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A cutting blade for a motor-driven implement, said cutting blade comprising:

a main body of metal having a central fastening opening and blade sections, also of metal, that extend approximately radially from said main body, wherein said blade sections have edges that extend in a radial direction and form cutting edges, ~~wherein each blade section is provided with at least one bead-like embossment having a longitudinal axis that extends at an angle of between 0 and 45° relative to a longitudinal direction of said blade section, and~~ wherein radially outer edges of said blade sections are embodied as additional cutting edges, wherein said cutting blade extends in a trapezoidal tapering manner to radial ends of said blade sections, wherein said blade sections have a double trapezoidal shape, including radially inner edges that merge in an angular manner with radially outer edges, and wherein said radially outer edges merge in an angular manner with said radial ends of said blade section.
2. (Original) A cutting blade according to claim 1, wherein radial ends of said blade sections have the shape of part of a circle when viewed in plan.
3. (Original) A cutting blade according to claim 2, wherein said radial ends of said blade sections have a radius that is less than or equal to a radius of a path of said cutting blade.

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4. (cancelled)
5. (cancelled)
6. (currently amended) A cutting blade according to claim 5 1, wherein an angle is provided between a longitudinal axis of a given one of said blade sections and one of said radially outer edges, wherein said angle is approximately twice as large as an angle between said longitudinal axis and one of said radially inner edges.

7. (cancelled)
8. (cancelled)
9. (cancelled)
10. (cancelled)
11. (cancelled)
12. (cancelled)
13. (cancelled)
14. (cancelled)
15. (Original) A cutting blade according to claim 1, wherein said fastening opening is disposed within a circular disk-shaped embossment.

16. (currently amended) A cutting blade according to claim 15, wherein said circular disk-shaped embossment has a diameter that is approximately three times as large as a diameter of said fastening opening, ~~and wherein said bead-like embossments of said blade sections merge into said circular disk-shaped embossment.~~

17. (cancelled)
18. (Original) A cutting blade according to claim 1, wherein radially inner

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edges of said blade sections are embodied as additional cutting edges.

19. (previously amended) A cutting blade according to claim 1, wherein said cutting edges have a changing contour from a radially outer end of said blade sections to approximately a central portion thereof, and end in a blunt manner at radially inner edges of said blade sections.

20. (cancelled)

21. (cancelled)

22. (new) A cutting blade for a motor-driven implement, said cutting blade comprising:

a main body of metal having a central fastening opening and blade sections, also of metal, that extend approximately radially from said main body, wherein said blade sections have edges that extend in a radial direction and form cutting edges, wherein radially outer edges of said blade sections are embodied as additional cutting edges, wherein said cutting blade extends in a trapezoidal tapering manner to radial ends of said blade sections, wherein said blade sections have a double trapezoidal shape, including radially inner edges that merge with a radius with radially outer edges, and wherein said radially outer edges merge with a radius with said radial ends of said blade section

23. (new) A cutting blade for a motor-driven implement, said cutting blade comprising:

a main body of metal having a central fastening opening and blade sections, also of metal, that extend approximately radially from said main body, wherein said blade

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sections have edges that extend in a radial direction and form cutting edges, wherein radially outer edges of said blade sections are embodied as additional cutting edges, wherein said cutting blade extends in a trapezoidal tapering manner to radial ends of said blade sections, wherein said blade sections have a double trapezoidal shape, including radially inner edges that merge in an angular manner with radially outer edges, and wherein said radially outer edges merge with a radius with said radial ends of said blade section.

24. (new) A cutting blade for a motor-driven implement, said cutting blade comprising:

a main body of metal having a central fastening opening and blade sections, also of metal, that extend approximately radially from said main body, wherein said blade sections have edges that extend in a radial direction and form cutting edges, wherein radially outer edges of said blade sections are embodied as additional cutting edges, wherein said cutting blade extends in a trapezoidal tapering manner to radial ends of said blade sections, wherein said blade sections have a double trapezoidal shape, including radially inner edges that merge with a radius with radially outer edges, and wherein said radially outer edges merge in an angular manner with said radial ends of said blade section.